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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

To the Commissioner:

In the Restriction Requirement mailed November 9, 2005, Applicant was directed to elect between Group I, claims 1-27 and 45-67; Group II, claims 28-44; and Group III, claims 68-75. Applicant respectfully points out that claim 28 is a dependent claim which depends, indirectly, from independent claim 18, which is included in Group I, and that

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I, and that claim 29 is an independent claim. Applicant assumes that claim 28 was included in Group II in error, and should have been included in Group I. Thus Applicant is selecting between Group I, claims 1-28 and 45-67; Group II, claims 29-44, and Group III, claims 68-75.

Applicant elects to pursue claims 68-75 of Group III without traverse. Of course Applicant retains the right to pursue the claims of Groups I and II in divisional applications.

If there are any questions concerning this Response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned agent at (408) 869-2921.

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Respectfully submitted,

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